Council Proceedings.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, March 14, 1887

The City Council met Monday, March 14. Present—Mayor Cowan, Ald. Taylor, Jarvis, McDonald, Greer, Moule, Bowman, Stringer, Vining, Moore, Dreaney, H. Taylor, McIntosh, Heaman, Davis, Hook.

COMMUNICATIONS.

The following communications and petitions were received:—

From W. R. Meredith, Q C., City Solicitor, enclosing a copy of the Bill to incorporate the Tramway Company between the city and Springbank, as of interest to the city. Referred to No. 1, with instructions to co-operate with Mr Meredith in support of the scheme.

From John Campbell, and others, for a grant to the Police Benefit and Superannuation Fund. No 1.

From the Directors of the Western Fair, pointing out the benefit it had been to the city in the past, and praying for the granting of the Queen's Park for such purpose The East Middlesex Agricultural Society had agreed to take off the lien they hold on the old grounds, if amalgamation takes place, and the petitioners pray that the sum raised from the sale of the old grounds, or an equal sum, be granted for buildings, etc.

The agreement was submitted as follows:—

In the event of the city furnishing suitable grounds, the amalgamation with the other societies, including the East Middlesex, shall be on the terms:—That the Western Fair shall be composed of nine members each from the East Middlesex Agricultural and the City of London Horticultural Society, and such others as are mentioned in the Act; not less than 15 nor more than 24 Directors shall be elected, six from each of the principal societies; the East Middlesex Society to pay over to the Fair a sum equal to that paid by the Horticultural Society, and to pay over any further funds on hand, also for the use of the said Western Fair; such further sum over and above the sum paid by the Horticultural Society, to be credited to the said Society and form an extra charge on the funds of the Western Fair, should it at any time dissolve for any reason. The said Society to remove their lien on the present Fair Grounds to the city, and use their best endeavors to have the lien of the County on said grounds removed also. The city of London to guarantee the repayment of the amount paid in by said Society—$4,000; all properties and moneys of the old Western Fair to be paid over to the new association.

From Henry Rolfe and other men employed in breaking stone, for an additional grant to continue the work a few weeks longer. No. 2.

Petitions *re* sidewalks were received from Lewis Clarke, John Coulter, Alex. White and others. Referred to No 2

E. J. Owens, *re* damage to property belonging to John Dundas. No. 2.

Richard Vick, $40 damages by defective culvert. No 2.

J. C. Brady and others, for cedar block crossing on Simcoe street. No. 2, with power.

W. J. Imlach and others, for street improvements in vicinity of Wellington and St. James streets, the site of the new church of St. John. No. 2

The application of George Pook for reduction on account of hospital charge for patient was referred to No. 3, with power.

D. McDonald, *re* damage by water, No. 2

Robert Smith's petition, *re* taxes on vacant houses, was referred to the Court of Revision.

Petitions *re* dog tax from T. E Lee, C. Stockwell and S. Schryer were referred to No. 1 Committee

Petitions *re* taxes were received from Mrs Todd, Mrs Wyckoff, J G. Parry,